

the Legislature in their mis-called Declaration of Independence. No adequate cause can be assigned. The select Committee of that body asserted a gross and inexcusable falsehood in their address to the people of Tennessee when they declared that the Government of the United States has made war upon them. The secession cause has thus far been sustained by deception and falsehood; by falsehoods as to the action of Congress; by false dispatches as to battles that were never fought and victories that were never won; by false accounts as to the purposes of the President; by false representation as to the views of Union men; and by false pretences as to the facility with which the secession troops would take possession of the Capitol and capture the highest officers of the Government.

The cause of secession or rebellion has no charms for us, and its progress has been marked by the most alarming and dangerous attacks upon the public liberty. In other States, as well as our own, its whole course threatens to annihilate the last vestige of freedom. While peace and prosperity have blessed us in the Government of the United States, the following may be enumerated as some of the fruits of secession.

It was urged forward by members of Congress who were sworn to support the Constitution of the United States and were themselves supported by the Government;

It was effected without consultation with all the States interested in the slavery question and without exhausting peaceful remedies; It has plunged the country into civil war, paralyzed our commerce, interfered with the whole trade and business of our country, lessened the value of our property, destroyed many of the pursuits of life, and bids fair to involve the whole nation in irretrievable bankruptcy and ruin;

It has changed the entire relations of States and adopted constitutions without submitting them to a vote of the people, and where such a vote has been authorized, it has been upon the condition prescribed by Senator Mason of Virginia that those who voted the Union ticket "must leave the State."

It has advocated a constitutional monarchy, a King and a Dictator and is through the Richmond press at this moment recommending to the Convention in Virginia a restriction of the right of suffrage and "in severing connexion with the Yankees to abolish every vestige of resemblance to the institutions of that detested race."

It has formed military leagues, passed military bills and opened the door for oppressive taxation, without consulting the people and then, in mockery of a free election, has required them by their votes to sanction its usurpations under the penalties of moral proscription or at the point of the bayonet.

It has offered a premium for crime in directing the discharge of Volunteers from criminal prosecutions and in recommending the Judges not to hold their Courts;

It has stained our statute book with the repudiation of Northern debts and has greatly violated the Constitution by attempting, through its unlawful extension, to destroy the right of suffrage;

It has called upon the people in the State of Georgia, and may soon require the people of Tennessee, to contribute all their surplus cotton, corn, wheat, bacon, beef, &c., to the support of pretended governments alike destitute of money and credit;

It has attempted to destroy the accountability of public servants to the people by secret legislation and has set the obligation of an oath at defiance;

It has passed laws declaring it treason to say or do any thing in favor of the Government of the United States, or against the Confederate States, and such a law is now before, and we apprehend will soon be passed by the Legislature of Tennessee.

It has attempted to destroy, and we fear soon, utterly prostrate the freedom of speech and of the press;

It has involved the Southern States in a war whose success is hopeless, and which must ultimately lead to the ruin of the people;

Its bigoted, overbearing and intolerant spirit has already subjected the people of East Tennessee to many petty grievances; our people have been insulted; our flags have been fired upon and torn down; our houses have been rudely entered; our families subjected to insult; our peaceable meetings interrupted; our women and children shot at by a merciless soldiery; our towns pillaged; our citizens robbed, and some of them assassinated and murdered.

No effort has been spared to deter the Union men of East Tennessee from the expression of their free thoughts. The penalties of treason have been threatened against them and inflicted, and assassination have been openly encouraged by leading secession journals.

As secession has been thus overbearing and intolerant while in the minority in East Tennessee, nothing better can be expected of the pretended majority, than wild unconstitutional and oppressive legislation; an utter contempt and disregard of law; a determination to force every Union man in the State to swear to the support of a Constitution he abhors; to yield his money and property to aid a cause he detests and to become the object of scorn and derision as well as the victim of intolerable and relentless oppression.

It is now of these considerations, and of the fact that the people of East Tennessee, have declared their fidelity to the Union by a majority of about 20,000 votes. Therefore, we do resolve and declare:

1st. That we do earnestly desire the restoration of peace to our whole country, and most especially that our own section of the State by Tennessee should not be involved in civil war.

2d. That the action of our State Legislature in passing the so-called Declaration of Independence, and in forming the Military League with the Confederate States, and in adopting other acts looking to a separation of the State of Tennessee from the Government of the United States, is unconstitutional and illegal, and, therefore, not binding upon us as loyal citizens.

3d. That in order to avert a conflict with our brethren in other parts of the State, and desiring that every Confederate means shall be resorted to, for the preservation of peace, we do, therefore, constitute and appoint O. P. Smith of Knoxville, John N. McMillan, of Hawkins and James P. McMillan, of Greene, Commissioners, whose duty it shall be to prepare a Memorial and cause the same to be presented to the General Assembly of Tennessee, now in session asking its consent that the counties composing East Tennessee and such counties in Middle Tennessee as desire to co-operate with them may form and erect a separate State.

4th. Desiring in good faith to the General Assembly, will grant that the Government of the United States, and still maintaining the same on at least avoided to avoid the same to the end that no violence to ourselves and to the people of the State be done.

right to determine our own destiny, we do further resolve that an election be held in all the counties of East Tennessee and in such other counties in Middle Tennessee, adjacent thereto, as may desire to co-operate with us, for the choice of Delegates to represent them in a General Convention, to be held in the town of Kingston at such time as the President of this Convention, or, in case of his absence or inability, any one of the Vice Presidents, or, in like case with them, the Secretary of this Convention may designate; and the officer so designating the day for the assembling of said Convention, shall also fix the time for holding the election herein provided for, and give reasonable notice thereof.

5th. In order to carry out the foregoing resolution, the Sheriffs of the different counties are hereby requested to open and hold said election or cause the same to be so held, in the usual manner and at the usual places of voting, as prescribed by law; and in the event the Sheriff of any county should fail or refuse to open and hold said election, or cause the same to be done, the Coroner of such county is requested to do so; and should such Coroner fail or refuse, then any constable of such county is hereby authorized to open and hold said election or cause the same to be done. And if in any county none of the above named officers will hold said election, then any Justice of the Peace, or Freeholder in such county is authorized to hold the same or cause it to be done. The officer or other person holding said election shall certify the result to the President of this Convention or to such officer as may have directed the same to be held, at as early a day thereafter as practicable; and the officer to whom said returns may be made, shall open and compare the polls and issue certificates to the Delegates elected.

6th. That in said Convention the several counties shall be represented as follows:—The county of Knox shall elect three Delegates, the counties of Washington, Greene and Jefferson, two delegates each, and the remaining counties shall each elect one Delegate.

Convention adjourned to 2 P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Convention met pursuant to adjournment Mr. Trigg, from the Business Committee reported as follows:

Ordered, That the Business Committee now serving this Convention, be continued in existence till the meeting of the Convention at Kingston, or until any future meeting of this body, should it again be called together.

Ordered further, that all the resolutions now before this Convention, which have not been acted upon, be referred back to said Committee for their consideration.

It is further ordered that the President of this Convention, or any Vice President or the Secretary acting in his place, and the chairman of said Committee, may call their respective bodies together at such time and place as they may respectively determine.

On motion they were unanimously adopted. Mr. Netherland, of Hawkins, offered the following:

Resolved, That the members of the present Legislature of Tennessee, who sympathize with the purposes of this Convention, be and are hereby respectfully requested to resume their seats in the Legislature at as early an hour as possible; and that any member who refuses to do so, shall be considered as having resigned his seat, and his name shall be stricken from the roll of the Legislature.

Adopted unanimously.

Mr. Maxwell, of Washington, offered the following:

Resolved, That so far as we know the people of East Tennessee have interposed no obstacle to the passage of troops and munitions of war through our territory; and while we object, and have ever objected in public and private to any violence to the Railroads, yet if the grievous wrongs inflicted by some of the troops are not stopped, we warn all persons concerned, including the officers of said Roads, that there is a point at which a population of 300,000 people outraged, insulted and trampled upon, cannot be and ought not to be restrained.

The resolution was adopted without division.

The following paper having been presented to the Convention, was ordered to be spread on the minutes:

The undersigned, delegates from the county of Hawkins to this Convention, not approving the proceedings of this Convention, but dissenting from the same, protest against the action of the Convention, and ask that this protest be entered on the minutes of the Convention.

JOHN BLEVINS,
W. C. KYLE,

Mr. Heiskell, of Monroe, offered the following, viz:

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be and they are hereby tendered to the President and Secretary of this Convention for the very satisfactory manner in which they have discharged their respective duties.

On motion of Mr. Crawford, of Greene, the resolution was so amended as to include the Committee on Business, and then passed unanimously.

Mr. Maxwell, of Washington, offered the following which was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be and they are hereby tendered to the citizens of Greeneville and vicinity for the hospitality with which they have entertained the members of the Convention during its session.

On motion it was ordered that 20,000 copies of the proceedings of this Convention, together with the proceedings of the session at Knoxville, be published in pamphlet form, for general distribution.

After prayer by Rev. Mr. Jackson, of Morgan, on motion of Mr. Trigg, the Convention adjourned, subject to the call of the President.

THOMAS A. R. NELSON,

JOHN M. FLEMING, Secretary.

A bottle of essence of Jamaica ginger will be found a pleasant and healthful companion to the soldiers' canteen, a corrective of bad humors, preventative of disease arising from change of water, and in all respects better than alcoholic stimulants. Think of this, mothers, fathers and sisters, in filling up the outfit and health tokens for the departing volunteer.

Such is Life.

So lately dead—upon forgotten. 'Tis the way of the world. A Spanish for a while. Men take us by the head, and are anxious about the health of our bodies, and laugh at our pains, and we really think like the fly on the wheel, that we have something to do with the turning of it. Some day we are buried. The sun does not stop for our funeral; every thing goes on as usual; men laugh now at

new jokes; or two hearts feel the wound of affliction—one or two memories still hold our names and forms; but the crowd moves its daily circle, and in a short time the great wave sweeps over our steps and washes away the last vestige of our earthly foot-prints.

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The Greeneville Convention.

We yield much of our space to the proceedings of the Greeneville Convention, prepared by the Secretary of that meeting, feeling assured that in view of the importance attached to the election of that body, we could not render our readers a more acceptable service. It was a large and enthusiastic meeting, representing every county in East Tennessee but Rhea, and that too by delegates who, for some practical sense, determination of will and patriotic purposes, would have done honor to any constituency.

The Convention was in session four days, and was largely attended by outsiders, both friendly and unfriendly to its objects. We have never witnessed a meeting of equal numbers representing as large an amount of territory, where as much harmony prevailed. In sentiment, the Convention was a unit, and upon the adoption of its Declaration of Grievances, and the several Resolutions which follow, almost absolute unanimity prevailed. One remarkable feature of the meeting was, the determination to do nothing in secret, but to throw open wide its doors, and invite the light of heaven to shine upon its acts. Hence, when some one moved about the third day, to go into secret session, the motion was voted down by a unanimous vote, and without debate. The result was, that the Secessionists, and all others desirous of hearing were on hand, and witnessed all that was said or done.

It will be seen that the Convention resolved not to go into the Southern Confederacy; and that it appointed Commissioners to memorialize the Legislature now in session, to allow East Tennessee to remain where she has voted to remain, under the Stars and Stripes, organizing a separate State. It is now for the Secessionists in the Legislature, to say whether we shall separate in peace, or have a disastrous Civil War. East Tennessee has said at the ballot-box, that she will not go into the Southern Confederacy—that she will not submit to a draft of her citizens to wage a war wholly uncalled for, and that they shall not pay the unjust and ruinous taxes imposed by the recent corrupt and unconstitutional Legislature of this State, and of the entire South have declared the right of a people to withdraw from a Government they abhor, and to refuse obedience to law and policy they dislike, and deem unconstitutional. They also deny the right of one free people to coerce another, and they are now expected to act upon this principle. If they do this, we shall separate in peace, East Tennessee assuming her just proportion of the State liabilities, and remaining a member of the Federal Union, as her people desire. If this liberty is refused, civil war is inevitable, and the free and unbought Union men of East Tennessee, will fall back upon the rights guaranteed to them by God and nature, and by the laws and constitution of their country, and meet the consequences, let them be what they may. They have fully calculated the costs, and they have resolved to meet them, come weal or come woe. And the Federal Government is bound to sustain the Union men of East Tennessee, at any cost of money, men, and arms required.

The following beautiful lines were written by LADY FLORA HARRISON, the victim of a cruel slander, originating among her associates in waiting upon Queen Victoria.

Tell me, ye winged winds,
That round my pathway roar,
Do you not know some spot
Where mortals weep no more?
Some valley in the West,
Where free from pain and pain,
The weary soul may rest?

The loud winds sighed to a whisper low,
And sighed for pity as it answered—"No!"

Tell me, my secret soul,
Whose billows round me play,
Know'st thou some favored spot,
Some island far away,
Where weary man may find
The bliss for which he sighs?

Where sorrow never lies,
And friendship never dies?
The long waves, rolling in perpetual flow,
Stopped for a while and answered—"No!"

And thou, serene moon,
That with such holy face
Asleep in night's embrace—
Tell me, in all thy round,
Hast thou not seen some spot
Where miserable man
Might find a happier lot?

Behind a cloud the moon withdrew in woe,
And a voice sweet but sad, responded—"No!"

Tell me, my secret soul,
Oh! tell me Hope and Faith—
Is there no resting place
From sorrow, sin and death?
Is there no happy spot
Where mortals may be blest?

Where grief may find a balm,
And weariness a rest?
Faith, Hope and Love—best boons to mortals given,
Waved their bright wings and whispered—"Yes, in Heaven."

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to fall upon them, and hide them from the vengeance of the outraged Union men of East Tennessee! Let a respectable Union man in Knox county be slain, by a Secessionist, and we can give the names of eight or ten prominent Secessionists in the county, who will instantly bite the dust. As certain as there is a God in Heaven, they will have to die! We speak advisedly, and reflect the purposes of a large organization in this and other counties. We speak the words of truth—not to intimidate men, but to let them know what will be the result of any such murderous assault. Commit your acts of violence, and then fortify yourselves with Regiments of troops. We tell you that you will be met with opposing Regiments, and you shall be pursued to the very gates of Hell, but what your blood shall atone for the violence!

We have had no conversation with Mr. Maynard on this subject, nor has he any idea of our intention to publish such a notice as this, in connection with his name. We represent the Union purpose of this end of the State. There are gentlemen of prominence in the Secession ranks, for whom we entertain sentiment of high personal regard, and we would hate to see them involved by others less worthy. If they are made to suffer, it will be their misfortune—not their crime, that they are associated with men who bring upon them utter ruin!

The East Tennessee Convention of Union men, at Greeneville, contrary to public expectation, seems to bode no good to the peace of the Commonwealth. Private letters state a large majority of the Convention, under the lead of Nelson, are in favor of resistance, and the organization of an independent government. The conservative leaders, such as *Bartholomew, Hays, Sample, Elmore, Thornburg*, and others, and quit and go home, while the majority proposed at once to inaugurate a Provisional Government in Tennessee.—*Memphis Bulletin.*

This statement is untrue, nay, it is utterly false. Baxter and Thornburg returned to Knoxville one day, to attend to an important murder case in the Circuit Court—got the case put off, and returned the next day to the Convention. No one else left. The action of the Convention was harmonious, and the "conservative leaders" will aid the determined people in carrying out their resolves, or die in the attempt.

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The following beautiful lines were written by LADY FLORA HARRISON, the victim of a cruel slander, originating among her associates in waiting upon Queen Victoria.

Tell me, ye winged winds,
That round my pathway roar,
Do you not know some spot
Where mortals weep no more?
Some valley in the West,
Where free from pain and pain,
The weary soul may rest?

The loud winds sighed to a whisper low,
And sighed for pity as it answered—"No!"

Tell me, my secret soul,
Whose billows round me play,
Know'st thou some favored spot,
Some island far away,
Where weary man may find
The bliss for which he sighs?

Where sorrow never lies,
And friendship never dies?
The long waves, rolling in perpetual flow,
Stopped for a while and answered—"No!"

And thou, serene moon,
That with such holy face
Asleep in night's embrace—
Tell me, in all thy round,
Hast thou not seen some spot
Where miserable man
Might find a happier lot?